COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES
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AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT STAR

1. For extraordinary coolness in the face of danger, the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT STAR of the Philippines is, by order of His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, hereby awarded to Lieutenant John D. Bulkeley, United States Navy. During the trip of the motor torpedo boat that transported from Dumaguete, Negros Oriental to Oroquieta, Misamis, His Excellency, the President, his family, members of his Cabinet and other members of his party, the heavy sea broke the retaining pins of both aft torpedoes leaving them partly out of the torpedo tubes and with their mechanism set into action. With extraordinary coolness he directed the immediate release of both torpedoes thus saving the persons on board the motor torpedo boat from an impending death. His timely action in holding Torpedoman, First Class, Houlihan prevented the latter from falling overboard while disengaging one of the torpedoes with a hammer.

2. For extraordinary coolness in the face of danger, the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT STAR of the Philippines is, by order of His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, hereby awarded to Ensign George E. Cox, Jr, United States Navy. During the trip of the motor torpedo boat that transported from Dumaguete, Negros Oriental to Oroquieta, Misamis, His Excellency, the President, his family, members of his cabinet and other members of his party, the heavy sea broke the retaining pins of both aft torpedoes leaving them partly out of the torpedo tubes and with their mechanism set into action. With extraordinary coolness he assisted in the immediate release of both torpedoes thus saving the persons on board the motor torpedo boat from an impending death.

3. For extraordinary coolness in the face of danger, the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT STAR of the Philippines is hereby awarded to Torpedoman, First Class, John L. Houlihan, United

States Navy. During the trip of the motor torpedo boat that transported from Dumaguete, Negros Oriental to Oroquieta, Misamis, His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, his family, members of his War Cabinet and other members of his party, the heavy sea broke the retaining pins of both aft torpedoes leaving them partly out of the torpedo tubes and with their mechanism set into action. With extraordinary coolness Torpedoman, First Class, Houlihan succeeded in disengaging the torpedoes thus saving the persons on board the motor torpedo boat from an impending death.

4. For extraordinary coolness in the face of danger, the DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT STAR of the Philippines is hereby awarded to Chief Torpedoman James D. Light, United States Navy. During the trip of the motor torpedo boat that transported from Dumaguete, Negros Oriental to Oroquieta, Misamis, His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, his family, members of his War Cabinet and other members of his party, the heavy sea broke the retaining pins of both aft torpedoes leaving them partly out of the torpedo tubes and with their mechanism set into action. With extraordinary coolness Chief Torpedoman Light succeeded in disengaging the torpedoes thus saving the persons on board the motor torpedo boat from an impending death.

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